

# STATE OF CALIFORNIA Department of Parks and Recreation EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL - SPOT



AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER - EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MEDICAL CONDITION OR PREGNANCY, COMMITTED TO VALUING DIVERSITY IN THE WORKPLACE.

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IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE WORK PLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE, AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

**DEPARTMENTAL FOR** 

Department of Parks and Recreation

**POSITIONS EXIST** 

This is a SPOT exam for Sacramento county only.

WHO SHOULD APPLY

This is a Departmental Promotional examination for the **Department of Parks and Recreation**. Applicants must meet one of the following criteria in order to participate in this examination:

- Must have a permanent civil service appointment with the testing department as of the final filing date; or
- 2. Must meet the provisions of the State Personnel Board Rule 234, 235, or 235.2; or
- Must be a current or former employee of the Legislature, who resigned or was released from service within the last 12 months, and with two or more consecutive years of service as defined in Government Code 18990: or
- 4. Must be a current or former nonelected exempt employee of the Executive Branch of government who resigned or was released from service within the last 12 months, and with two or more consecutive years of service (excluding those positions for which the salaries are set by statute) as defined in Government Code 18992; or
- Must be a person retired from the United States military, honorably discharged from active military duty with a service-connected disability, or honorably discharged from active duty as defined in Government Code 18991.

For applicants who meet the criteria under 3, 4, or 5, if promotional examinations are given by more than one department for the same classification, the applicant must select one department in which to compete.

For applicants who meet the criteria under 5, a copy of their DD214 must be submitted with their Standard State Application (STD. 678).

WHERE TO APPLY

Applications (Std. Form 678) may be delivered in person or by mail. Please submit to:

By mail to:

Department of Parks and Recreation Attention: Selections Unit P.O. Box 942896 Sacramento, CA 94296-0001 In person to:

Department of Parks and Recreation 1416 9th Street Room 1018 (10th floor) Sacramento, CA 95814

Please write Exam Code 3PR04 on your application in the section titled "Examination(s) or Job Title(s) For Which You Are Applying".

FINAL FILING DATE

Applications (Form 678) must be postmarked no later than **March 26, 2013, the final filing date.**Applications postmarked, personally delivered, or received via interoffice mail after the final filing date will not be accepted for any reason. Information regarding progress notices and candidate responsibilities may be found in the General Information section at the end of this announcement.

**SALARY RANGE** 

\$4400 - \$5348

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#### **EXAMINATION DATES**

This is an Education and Experience (E&E) Exam weighted 100%.

#### <u>OR</u>

If conditions warrant, Qualifications Appraisal Interview: It is anticipated that interviews will be held during **April/May 2013.** 

## SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Part 2 of the application. You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

## ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

A departmental promotional eligible list will be established for the Department of Parks and Recreation. This list will be abolished 24 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

**NOTE:** Transfer of list eligibility **is not permitted** from a list established by an E&E examination to a list established by any other type of examination.

# REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

All applications must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination by March 26, 2013, the final filing date.

NOTE: Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of signed identification to each phase of the examination.

ALL APPLICATIONS/RESUMES MUST INCLUDE "FROM" AND "TO" EMPLOYMENT DATES (MONTH/DAY/YEAR), TIME BASE, AND APPLICABLE CIVIL SERVICE CLASS TITLES. APPLICATIONS/RESUMES RECEIVED WITHOUT THIS INFORMATION WILL BE REJECTED.

Pursuant to Government Code 18935(b), candidates with <u>permanent</u> status at the Administrative Assistant II level or above may not be eligible to apply for this examination.

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I, "Or" II, "Or" III, etc. For example, candidates possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to the examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

### Either I

One year of experience in the California state service performing staff work in a class equivalent in level to Administrative Assistant I.

#### Or II

Eighteen months of experience in the California state service performing the duties of an Executive Secretary II.

#### Or III

**Experience:** Three years of progressively responsible experience in one or a combination of the following:

- 1. Relieving an administrator of assigned administrative detail and preparing reports and/or recommendations for administrative action. (Experience in California state service must be in a class equivalent in level of responsibility to Office Services Supervisor I.)
- Professional or technical experience in a field usually requiring an education of collegiate grade
  and involving duties and responsibilities which develop a wide knowledge of the field of
  management, at least two years of which shall have involved the independent development of
  administrative recommendations.

(Possession of a Master's Degree in Public, Personnel, or Business Administration or related field may be substituted for one year of the required experience.) **and** 

**Education:** Equivalent to graduation from college. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for four years of the required education on a year-for-year basis. Any work experience gained in State service may be used to meet the education requirement on a year-for-year basis.)

(In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth of experience and the evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibility than to the length of his/her experience.)

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## SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Demonstrated capacity for assuming increasing responsibility, originality, open-mindedness, and tact.

## **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

An Administrative Assistant II, under general direction, assists an administrator by performing varied administrative duties of a high degree of responsibility; and to do other related work.

## **EXAMINATION INFORMATION**

This examination utilizes an evaluation of education and experience (E&E) weighted 100%, and is based solely upon information provided with the application. Information provided with the application will be assessed compared to a standard developed in relation to the elements of the job and linked to the knowledge and abilities required on the job.

Special care should be taken in submitting a complete description of your education and experience relevant to the typical tasks, scope and minimum qualifications stated on this announcement. Supplemental information will be accepted but competitors should read the announcement carefully to determine what kind of information will be useful to those individuals completing the evaluation.

The Department of Parks and Recreation reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such a revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

# EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE (Weighted 100%)

## Scope:

#### A. Knowledge of:

- Principles, problems, and methods of public and business administration, including organization and personnel and fiscal management.
- 2. Office management principles, methods, and procedures.
- 3. Administrative survey techniques and skill in their application.
- 4. Statistical and research methods.

## B. Ability to:

- 1. Think clearly and quickly and analyze and solve problems of organization and management.
- Work independently in identifying the need for and developing proposed changes to operating practices, programs, and policies.
- 3. Supervise the staff of an administrative office.
- 4. Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships.
- 5. Speak and write effectively.

# VETERANS' PREFERENCE CREDITS AND CAREER CREDITS

Veterans' preference credits and career credits are not granted in promotional examinations.

## CONFIDENTIALITY AND SECURITY

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 19680(c) and 19681(b) it is unlawful to copy and/or furnish confidential examination material for the purpose of either improving or injuring the chances of any person or to obtain examination questions or other examination material before, during, or after an examination. Every person violating these provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor, and adverse action will be pursued. This may result in the person being barred from competition in future examinations, withheld from certification lists, or cancellation of eligibility for employment in state civil service.

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

For an examination without a written feature, it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Examination Unit of the Department of Parks and Recreation, (916) 651-0438, three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of oral or performance test fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

**Applications are available at** www.jobs.ca.gov, and local offices of the Employment Development Department, and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

**If you meet the requirements**, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The Department of Parks and Recreation reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned changed. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

**Eligible Lists**: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) service-wide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin.

**Promotional Examinations Only:** Competition is limited to employees who have a permanent civil service appointment. Under certain circumstances other employees may be allowed to compete under provisions of Rules 234, 235 and 235.2.: State Personnel Board Rules 233, 234, 235, 235.2, and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examinations: These rules may be reviewed at departmental personnel offices or at the Information Counter of the California Department of Human Resources.

**General Qualifications**: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history, and fingerprinting may be required.

**Interview Scope**: If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plan for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

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